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In re the application of:
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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ENABLING
OPTIONAL CUSTOMER ELECTION OF
AUXILIARY CONTENT PROVIDED ON
DETACHABLE LOCAL STORAGE MEDIA
DURING ACCESS OF PRIMARY CONTENT
OVER A NETWORK AND FOR COLLECTING
DATA CONCERNING VIEWED AUXILIARY
CONTENT



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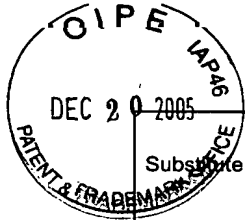
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